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In re the Application of:

TOGASHI et al.

Art Unit: 2652

Application No.: 09/518,729

Examiner: A. Castro

Filed: March 3, 2000

Attorney Dkt. No.: 107156-00001

For: DISC CHANGER

REQUEST TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: July 16, 2002

Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the holding of abandonment of the above-identified patent application be withdrawn. A Notice of Abandonment has been received indicating that the application was abandoned for failure to timely pay the required issue fee within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (February 8, 2002).

Applicants respectfully submit that the Notice of Allowance was never received by Applicants' Representative. A search of the file jacket and the docket records indicate that the Notice of Allowance was never received. Submitted herewith is a copy of our computer docket sheet for May 8, 2002, which would have included an entry for the issue fee being due, if the Notice of Allowance had been received. Our firm's typical mail handling procedure is for all mail to be docketed as soon as it is received.

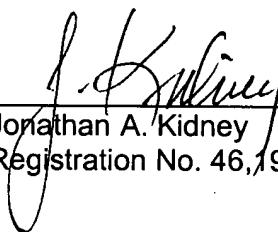
In view of the submission of the evidence showing that the Notice of Allowance dated February 8, 2002 was never received, Applicant respectfully requests that the Request to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment of the above-application be granted. Therefore it is respectfully requested that the abandonment be withdrawn, and the

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application be returned to pending status, and a new Notice of Allowance be issued.

In the event that any fees are due with respect to this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 107156-00001.

Respectfully submitted,



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107134-3012	US MSP	08-May-2002 Tax 7.5 Due Date		Date Taken: 11-Apr-2002	Remarks:		
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107156-2136	US TXW	08-May-2002 Tax 7.5 Due Date	Date Taken: 11-Apr-2002	Tax 7.5	909842	07-Jul-1992	Granted
107156-8031	US GEO	08-May-2002 FILE FEE ADDRESS FORM Due Date	Date Taken: 11-Apr-2002	US-FEE ADDRESS INDICATION FORM	09080400%63365	18-May-1998	Granted
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107348-00056	US BKS	08-May-2002 Application Status Check	Application Status Check	09674484%8755	Due Date	08-Nov-2000	Pending	
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107348-00061	US CMM	08-May-2002 Application Status Check	Application Status Check	09707907%9064	Due Date	08-Nov-2000	Granted	
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